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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
9 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
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11 MICHAEL J. BOND and LISA GREEN ) Case No. 07cv0744-BTM (BLM)  
12 BOND, individuals, )  
13 Plaintiffs, ) **ORDER CONVERTING EARLY NEUTRAL**  
14 v. ) **EVALUATION CONFERENCE TO**  
15 COUNTRY COACH, INC., a ) **TELEPHONIC CONFERENCE**  
16 corporation, and HOLLAND MOTOR )  
17 HOMES, a business entity, form )  
18 unknown, and DOES 1 through 10, )  
19 inclusive, )  
20 Defendants. )  
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20 In a request dated May 21, 2007, Defendant Country Coach requests  
21 permission for its corporate representative, Jay Howard, to appear  
22 telephonically at the Early Neutral Evaluation Conference ("ENE")  
23 because he resides in Junction City, Oregon. Vincent Axelson, counsel  
24 for Mr. Howard, represents that Mr. Howard encountered scheduling issues  
25 when the Court rescheduled the ENE from May 30th to May 25th.  
26 Additionally, in his declaration accompanying the request, Mr. Axelson  
27 explains that (a) the parties have discussed settlement preliminarily  
28 and (b) Defendants have not inspected the motorhome at issue and need

1 to do so before there is a realistic chance of settling.

2 In light of Country Coach's request, and given the status of the  
3 case, the Court finds it appropriate to convert the ENE to a telephonic  
4 conference. Accordingly, the ENE currently scheduled for May 25, 2007  
5 at 9:30 a.m. shall be a telephonic, attorneys-only conference. The  
6 Court will initiate the call.

7 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

8 DATED: May 22, 2007

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10 BARBARA L. MAJOR  
11 United States Magistrate Judge  
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16 HONORABLE BARRY TED MOSKOWITZ  
17 U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

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